

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the last paragraph on page 3 of the specification as follows:

-- Fig. 1 is a side sectional view of a tap having a sleeve, a piston that is fitted into the ~~[[latter]]~~ sleeve, and a foam throttle clipped onto the sleeve;

Fig. 2 is ~~as a detail~~, a side sectional view of the sleeve with the foam throttle alone; --

Please amend the first two paragraphs on page 4 of the specification as follows:

-- Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the foam throttle, looking towards the inside ~~of the latter~~; ~~[[and]]~~

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a modified foam throttle~~[[.]]~~ ; and

Fig. 5 is an exploded side sectional view of Fig. 1, in part elevation.

As seen in Fig. 5, the ~~[[The]]~~ tap consists of a sleeve 10, a piston 12, and a foam throttle 14. --

Please amend the last paragraph on page 5 of the specification as follows:

-- The hood of the foam throttle 14 has a labyrinth channel 36 having a meander-shaped progression, on the inside. The labyrinth channel 36 ends in the passage opening 28 of the sleeve 10 on the one end. In the variant according to Fig. 1 to Fig. 3, the other

end of the labyrinth channel 36 leads into a tapping bore or tapping channel 38 that passes crosswise through the hood. The tapping bore 38 is located at the outer end of the sleeve 10, not far from the passage opening 28. In the variant according to Fig. 4, the labyrinth channel runs out on the face of the hood. - -

Please delete the list of reference symbols on page 6, lines 1-16 of the specification.